

Remarks

Applicants have cancelled claims 1- 48 without prejudice to their rights to pursue the subject matter of these claims in other applications. Applicants have added new claims 49 to 57 which more clearly define the subject matter of the invention and properly fall within the subject matter of the elected group I claims.

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated October 2, 2006, Applicants elect **Group I** and claims drawn to a method of detecting chagas disease.

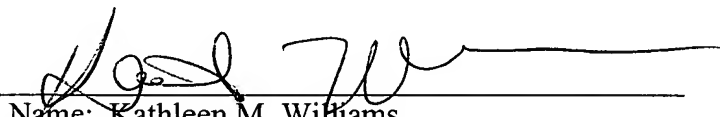
The restriction requirement states that a further election is required if Group I claims are elected of a single combination of "one or more" markers from 3Z for detection in the claimed methods.

Applicant has elected the gene CDC14 cell division cycle 14 homolog A (*S. cerevisiae*) (CDC14A). Claims 49-57 are pending. Support is found through the specification and in the originally filed claims. In particular, support the gene CDC14 cell division cycle 14 homolog A (*S. cerevisiae*) (CDC14A) is noted in Table 3Z under the RNA accession number NM_003672.1 with a p value of 0.049212736 and is described in Example 28, and in Figure 27. No new matter has been added.

A petition for extension of time is attached. However, should any fees be required to ensure consideration of this response, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account 04-1105, Reference No. 204231/2055K.

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